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Rosalie A. Centeno, Secretary

Commissioner of Patents
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Re: New U.S. Patent Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) – IN JAE PARK

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Sir:

1. Please find enclosed herewith for filing: 8 pages specification, 1 page claims (3), 1 page abstract and 6 pages drawings (9 Figures) in support of the above identified application.
2. Also enclosed herewith is an assignment from the inventor, Christoph Stephan, to Ubert Gastrotechnik GmbH, Zum Osterkamp 19, D-46348, Germany, which you will kindly record at the Patent and Trademark Office.
3. I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$425.00 * to cover the official fees of:

Basic fee	\$ 385.00**
Additional fees:	
Total number of claims in excess of 20 (# claims times \$18.00)	\$ 0.00
Number of independent claims in excess of 3 (# claims times \$84.00)	\$ 0.00
Assignment recording fee	<u>\$ 40.00</u>
TOTAL FEE	\$ 425.00

* It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and any fees required or any shortages in any fees be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.
** Please note that the application qualifies for small entity status pursuant to 37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(a)

Respectfully Submitted,

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